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Dr. Stokes,

As a concerned citizen of these United States may I please ask that you consider the alternatives to animal testing. If there are better methods out there, without torturing and hurting living things, then please use them. Cost is subjective when weighed against the thought of some helpless creature crying out in pain and getting no comfort. I could no more imagine doing something to an animal any more than I could to a child. If you can acknowledge that both are living breathing beings, that can experience pain and suffering, then you see my point.

Thank you for your time.

M. Boyle